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UNITED STATES ATTORNEY REPORTS WEEKLY RESULTS OF ST. LOUIS REGIONAL CEASEFIRE INITIATIVE

St. Louis, Missouri: The following represents the prosecution activities under the St. Louis Regional Ceasefire Initiative, a component of the Bush Administration's Project Safe Neighborhoods Program, United States Attorney Catherine L. Hanaway.

These cases are the result of the collaborative efforts of federal and local law enforcement including the U.S. Attorney's Office, the St. Louis City Circuit Attorney's Office, the St. Louis County Prosecutor's Office, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), the U.S. Marshal's Service, the Drug Enforcement Administration, the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department.

This week's results of Project Safe Neighborhood/Ceasefire are as follows:

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DONALD COOPER, 41, of the 3600 block of Virginia, St. Louis, was sentenced to 105 months in prison on one felony count of possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine and one felony count of being a previously convicted felon in possession of a firearm.

MICHAEL T. PATRICK, 23, of the 2500 block of Benton, St. Louis, 63106, was sentenced to 37 months in prison on one felony count of possession of an illegal firearm, a sawed-off shotgun.

KENNETH BEVINEAU, 38, of the 5700 block of Nottingham, St. Louis, was sentenced to 27 months in prison on one felony count of being an illegal drug user in possession of a firearm.

JAY JOHNSON, 25, address unknown, pled guilty to two felony counts of bank robbery and one

felony count of carrying a firearm during and relation to a crime of violence. Johnson now faces a maximum penalty of life in prison and/or a fines up to \$750,000. Sentencing has been set for January 20, 2006.